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SUBJ: DRUG ABUSE ITEM AT 23RD CONSULTATIVE
COMMITTEE MEETING OF COLOMBO PLAN

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1. REF A, PARA 3: ON SEVERAL OCCASIONS OVER PAST FEW WEEKS EMBASSY OFFICERS HAVE INFORMED APPROPRIATE GOI OFFICIALS OF OUR HOPES FOR USEFUL EXCHANGED AND POSITIVE ACTION ON NARCOTICS MATTERS AT 23RD CONSULTATIVE MEETING. IN THIS CONNECTION WE WERE FORTUNATE TO HAVE VERY USEFUL WORKING VISIT OF COLOMBO PLAN BUREAU DRUG ADVISOR PIO ABARRO IN JAKARTA NOVEMBER 15 THROUGH 19. HE MET ALMOST ALL APPROPRIATE INDONESIAN OFFICIALS AND DISCUSSED HIS INTERIMREPORT (A-9168) WITH THEM.

2. ALTHOUGH ABARRO CONTACTED US SHORTLY AFTER HIS ARRIVAL, WE STAYED IN BACKGROUND AND ENCOURAGED HIM TO SPEND MOST OF HIS TIME WITH INDONESIANS. TOWARD END OF HIS VISIT, ACTING DCM INVITED HIM TO DINNER, AND EMBOFF PRIMARILY RESPONSIBLE FOR CONTACT WITH INDONESIAN ENFORCEMENT AUTHORITIES ASSISTED ABARRO IN GETTING A FEW ADDITIONAL APPOINTMENTS WITH ENFORCEMENT AUTHORITIES HE MIGHT OTHERWISE HAVE MISSED. ABARRO MADE EXCELLENT IMPRESSION ON ALL HE MET. INDONESIANS CLEARLY WELCOME FACT THAT A SENIOR OFFICIAL FROM ANOTHER ASEAN COUNTRY HOLDS THIS POST AND WISH TO COOPERATE WITH HIM.

3. INDONESIAN DELEGATION TO WELLINGTON MEETING WAS COMPOSED TO DEAL WITH ANNOUNCED SPECIAL TOPIC OF JOINT VENTURES. AS A RESULT, MOST MEMBERS KNOW NOTHING ABOUT NARCOTICSMATTERS AND INCLUDE REPRESENTATIVES OF SUCH DEPARTMENTS AS INDUSTRY (SAMSUDIN), FINANCE(SUNARIO), MANPOWER (GUNADI) AND STATE SECRETARIAT (GINANDJAR). FOREIGN DEPARTMENT REPRESENTATIVE IS MR KAHONO MARTOHADINEGORO, HEAD OF DIRECTORATE FOR TECHNICAL COOPERATION WHICH HANDLES COLOMBO PLAN MATTERS IN FOREIGN DEPARTMENT. HE WILL ARRIVE WELLINGTON NOVEMBER 25.
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4. WE BELIEVE KAHONO WILL BE MOST USEFUL POINT OF CONTACT IN INDONDEL FOR USDEL. HE SPEAKS EXCELLENT ENGLISH AND HAS STUDIED ABARRO'S INTERIM REPORT, AND SPOKE WITH ABARRO BY TELEPHONE DURING ABARRO'S RECENT VISIT, ALTHOUGH TRAVEL AND SCHEDULING PROBLEMS PRECLUDED A PERSONAL MEETING. KAHONO FULLY AWARE OVER MANY MONTHS OF IMPORTANCE GOI AND EMBASSY ATTACH TO NARCOTICS MATTERS, AND HAS

BEEN BRIEFED BY KEY INDONESIAN ANTI-NARCOTICS PLANNING AND ENFORCEMENT OFFICIALS, INCLUDING COLONEL SIBARANI. HOWEVER, KAHONO IS NOT A NARCOTICS SPECIALIST AND SHOULD BE THOUGHT OF AS A HASTILY-BRIEFED GENERALIST WHO WISHES TO BE HELPFUL TO COMMON EFFORT. ACTING DCM SUGGESTED HE CONTACT MR HARVEY WELLMAN FOR ANY ADVICE OR ASSISTANCE HE MAY REQUIRE FROM USDEL AS MEETING PROGRESSES.

5. WHILE KAHONO COMPLAINS THAT INDONESIA DID NOT RECEIVE ABARRO'S INTERIM REPORT WELL ENOUGH IN ADVANCE OF WELLINGTON MEETING TO PERMIT FULL STAFFING OUT OF INDONESIAN POSITION WITH ALL THE DEPARTMENTS REPRESENTED ON INDONDEL, WE BELIEVE THAT ESPECIALLY HE AND GINANDJAR OF STATE SECRETARIAT, TO WHOM WE HAVE ALSO MADE REPRESENTATIONS, FULLY UNDERSTAND THE IMPORTANCE THEIR GOVERNMENT AND USG ATTACH TO THE NARCOTICS ITEM AND WILL COOPERATE WITH USDEL AND OTHER DELS IN MAKING PROGRESS ON IT.
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